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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: **METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM FOR COMMUNICATION AMONG NODES IN A SYSTEM**

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 7 No. of Sheets of Drawings Sheet(s) of drawings (☒ informal) + 0 extra copies;  
29 pages of Application; 15 pages of specification, 1 page of abstract  
☒ An assignment of the invention to International Business Machines Corporation. (      Will follow.)  
☐ An associate power of attorney.  
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.  
☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney. (      Will follow.)  
☐ Certified copy of Patent Application No. filed from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.  
☐ IDS enclosed.      with references.

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B INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE**	3 - 3* =	0	X \$40 or \$80	\$0	
C SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)					396
D MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE				SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$135; LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$270	\$0
E BASIC FEE*				SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$355; LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$710	\$710
F TOTAL FILING FEE (ADD TOTALS FOR LINES C, D, AND E)					\$1,106
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